

The advent of BPL (data service over power lines) has the potential to virutally wipe out High Frequency (HF) communications. This will affect no only Amateur Radio, but some public safety (police, fire) but some US government and military communications.

The research done by the ARRL has clearly documented the noise generated and radiated by BPL. I urge the FCC to abandon BPL entirely. On the assumption that the FCC envisions BPL as a conduit to providing Internet service in rural areas, where cable and DSL is generally unavailable, it can be argued that existing satellite services offer a better alternative.

Finally, I believe that the electric utilities in this nation do not need further revenue sources. As regulated industries, they already have built-in guaranteed profit margins. There is no need to allow (or encourage) them to engage in additional unrelated revenue generating businesses.

Again, I urge the FCC to disallow further deployment of all BPL services.

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